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A Broadband Initiative from the **Iowa Communications Network**



Jefferson initiative to bring high-tech jobs to rural lowa could be model for nation

Pillar Technology is trying to boost the state's tech pool, and is partnering with Jefferson to provide intense training that begins at high school, moves through community college, and ends with four months of free training at the Jefferson Forge academy.

Planned Parenthood launches app that allows lowa women to get birth control online

Planned Parenthood launched an mobile app in lowa designed to increase access to birth control by allowing women who qualify to get contraceptives through their smartphone.

Safe Online Surfing Challenge Launches

The FBI's Safe Online Surfing (SOS) Internet Challenge strives to help students navigate the web securely. As the FBI sees more and more crimes begin online, the growing participation numbers show that educators and caregivers also recognize the importance of teaching young people web literacy and safety.

Why the United States needs more cybersecurity experts — badly

With a shortage of cybersecurity experts, the United States is extremely vulnerable to a large-scale cyberattack, but the solution lies with students, Alan Paller, founder of the SANS Institute, said at an event in Fairfax, Virginia.

Finding Out Where You Are When You Call 911

The Federal Communications Commission has adopted new rules to help provide first responders with information about where to find a 911 caller who may be unable to speak for any number of reasons, such as being injured or held hostage, and may even not know where he or she is.

The digital divide leaves rural students behind, innovation can change that

As students across the country head back to school this season, our policymakers in Washington need to remember that at least 6.5 million students will return to the classroom stuck on the wrong side of the digital divide.

Digital inclusion in the gig economy

As advocates of broadband and related technologies, Connected Nation is steadfastly committed to ensuring that no one is left behind. Technology empowers communities and individuals by giving them a gateway to an abundance of online resources including job resources and opportunities.

How one Missouri fire agency is leveraging FirstNet

In this episode, host Dave Buchanan sits down with Chris Denney, Division Chief of the Southern Platte (MO) Fire District, to discuss how firefighters at his agency are using FirstNet to enhance daily operations.

What people get wrong about the cybersecurity workforce shortage

CyberSN.com's Deidre Diamond's talks with CyberScoop Editor-in-Chief Greg Otto about the gaps between applicants and employers in the cybersecurity workforce.

Facebook Expands Tool That Lets Local Governments Send Alerts

In the event of a flash flood, active shooter or major road closure, local governments have a new way to get information about emergency situations to residents.

U.S. counter-spies launch campaign against 'insider' threats

The office of the top U.S. counterintelligence official is launching a campaign to alert government employees, contractors and the general public to "serious risks" of security breaches or violence posed by "insiders."

Illinois IT Continues to Refine Mobile Caseworker App

The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services' award-winning Always Stay Konnected app is continually upgraded with new user-friendly technology to help children, families and staff in the field.

Kaiser, Samsung Tout Success of Telehealth in Cardiac Rehab Program

Kaiser Permanente and Samsung partnered on a cardiac rehab program using mHealth tools and a telehealth platform that saw an 87 percent completion rate and a less than 2 percent rehospitalization rate.

Sen. Thune Convening Rural Broadband Field Hearing

Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.) will hold a field hearing on rural broadband Sept. 5 at the Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls.

At Indiana U., video platform blends traditional and distance education

Students attending Indiana University are now able to combine the collaborative benefits of a traditional classroom education with the ease of access that comes with distance learning, through video conferencing technology.



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